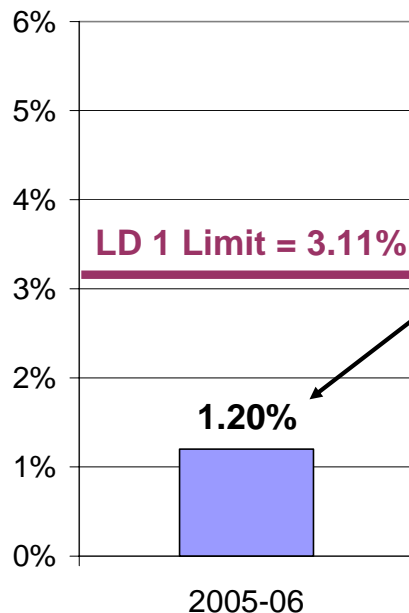


STATE: Growth of General Fund Appropriations



The State has stayed within its biennial budget growth limit of 3.11%.

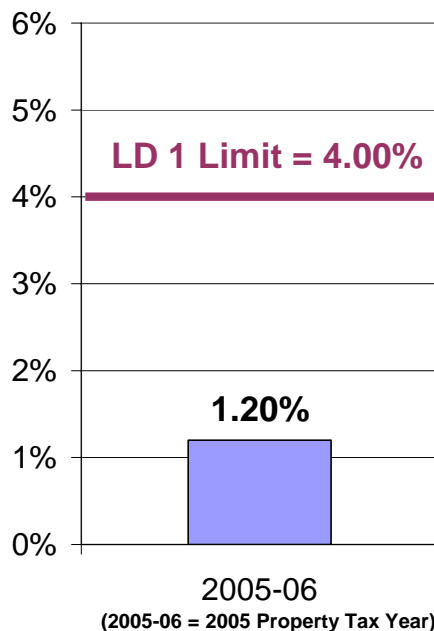
1.20% represents the growth in all General Fund appropriations. Under LD 1, increased education spending above FY05 levels is exempt from the limit.

Excluding the increased education spending, the growth in State General Fund appropriations for 2005-06 is **-3.33%.***

*Source: Maine Department of Administrative and Financial Services

MUNICIPALITIES: Growth of Property Tax Commitments

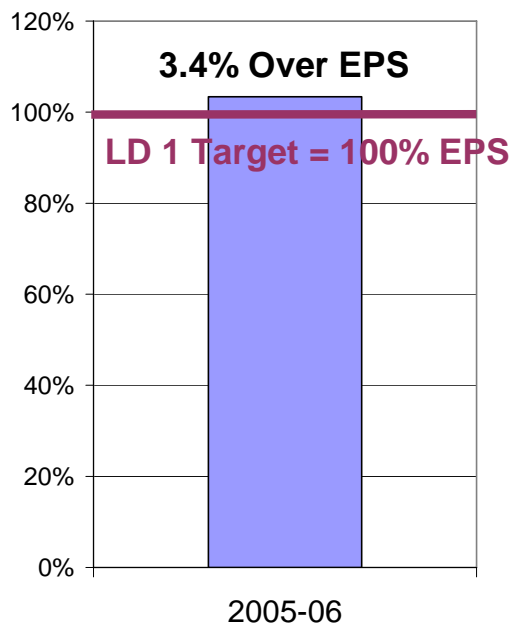
This graph includes ONLY towns with fiscal years that began on or after July 1, 2005.



When considered as a whole, municipalities' combined property tax levies are below the LD 1 limit.

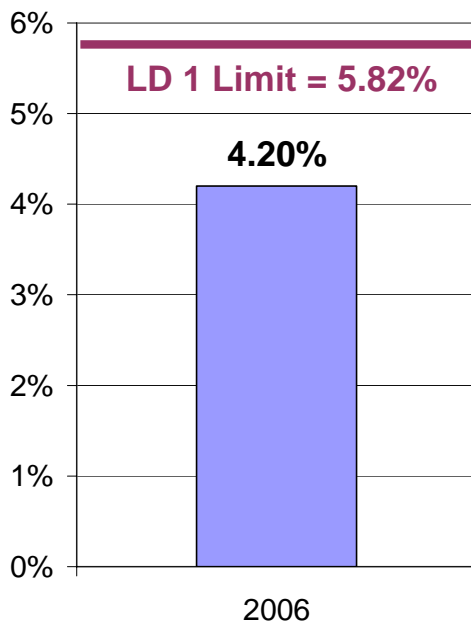
Source: Todd Gabe, "State and Local Government Finances in Maine: Early Impacts of LD 1." Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center, University of Maine, 2006.

SCHOOLS: School Administrative Unit Budgets



When considered as a whole, SAUs have a combined budget that is 3.4% above 100% of EPS.

COUNTIES: Growth of County Assessments



When considered as a whole, counties' combined assessments are below the LD 1 limit.

Source: Todd Gabe, "State and Local Government Finances in Maine: Early Impacts of LD 1." Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center, University of Maine, 2006.